

# Arch Street United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

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**September 24, 2017**

**8:30 AM Service**

*Senior Pastor, Reverend Robin Hynicka*

*Deacons, Reverend Nikki Kelley Kleinberg,*

*Reverend David Krueger,*

*Deaconess, Darlene DiDomineck*

*US2, Carmen Francesco*

*Music Director, Adam Haines*

*Secretaries, Anne McCormick, Charlie Meyers*

*Building Supervisor, Frank Jones*

*Sextons, Devon Goodwin, Russell Whaley,*

*John Buzby, Toni McIlwaine, Joe Kalil*



**Musician:** James Dell'Orefice

**Worship Leader:** Cathy Simpson

**Nursery Attendant:** Guy McNeill

# **PRAISE AND WORSHIP SERVICE**

**September 24, 2017**

**16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

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**PRELUDE**

Instrumental review of hymns

**PRAISE SINGING**

- #433 "All Who Love and Serve Your City"
- #356 "Pues Si Vivimos" ("When We Are Living")
- #519 "Lift Every Voice and Sing"

**OPENING PRAYER**

**WELCOME TO ARCH STREET & PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**JOYS & CONCERNS**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**REGISTRATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OFFERING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Russ Alexander

Exodus 16:2-15

Philippians 1:21-30

**SPECIAL MUSIC #2032** "My Life is in You Lord"

**\*GOSPEL LESSON** Matthew 20:1-16

**SERMON** "Our Daily Wage" Reverend Robin Hynicka

**CLOSING HYMN #2036** "Give Thanks"

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE #2164** "Sanctuary"

# *Calendar of Events*

## September 24th to October 1<sup>st</sup> 2017

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|-------------|------|--|
| <b>SUN</b>  | 9/24 | 8:30 Worship, Chapel<br>9:45 Youth Bible Study<br>9:45 Adult Sunday School. 2 <sup>nd</sup> fl.<br>9:45 Choir Rehearsal, choir<br>11:00 Worship, Sanctuary<br>11:00 Children's Sunday School<br>12:20-3 Deaconess Darlene<br>2:00 Unity Fellowship Serv, Chapel<br>5:30 Grace Café Devotions<br>6:00 <i>Grace Café</i> |
| <b>MON</b>  | 9/25 | 1:00 Tea & Talk<br>5:30 AA, Nichols Hall<br>7:00 Band  |
| <b>TUES</b> | 9/26 | 12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary<br>6:30 Unity Bible Study   |
| <b>WED</b>  | 9/27 | 6:00 AA, Nichols Hall  |
| <b>THUR</b> | 9/28 | 5:00 Diversity, Chapel<br>5:30 AA, Nichols Hall  |
| <b>SAT</b>  | 9/30 | 10:00 United Methodist Men   |
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Please see the events page on our web site:  
[www.archstreetumc.org](http://www.archstreetumc.org) for the full calendar of happenings.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING



## **Welcome Visiting Students from Eastern University**

A group of Masters Candidates studying Urban Studies from Eastern University will be ASUMC today. They will be here to join the congregation for worship; and after plan to discuss DACA, social justice values, tour the grounds, and possibly share in a meal at the Grace Café. These students participate in a residency twice a year and their Dean would like them to experience an urban church that reflects social justice values and understand how our community functions. We hope you share in welcoming them with hospitality and encourage members to participate in discussion and dialogue.

**Next Sunday is  
World Communion Sunday**

## Racial Reconciliation Youth Grants Available



**Racial Reconciliation Grants** are now available for United Methodist young people with a passion and a project for pursuing racial justice. The **UMC Discipleship Ministries Division on Young People** program seeks to inspire young people in the UMC with

a passion for racial justice "to take action in their church, community and the world." The grants of up to \$2500 per project will be awarded on a rolling, monthly basis, with the first **deadline being Oct. 15**. Monthly review and distribution will continue until all \$65,000 has been distributed. For questions about the application process, contact Patrice Rullo (prullo@umcdiscipleship.org). The application can be found at: <https://ypm-umc.fluidreview.com/>.

## Sunday School

All those interested in reading, reflecting on and discussing the Bible passages used in each week's sermon are invited to meet in the Chapel every Sunday at 9:45am. The scriptures readings for today's class are Exodus 17:1-7, Philippians 2:1-13, and Matthew 21:23-32. Readings for NEXT week are Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9 12-20 Philippians 3:4b-14, and Matthew 21:33-46

## Volunteers Needed

Do you enjoy crafts? Do you paint? Knit? Perfect! Come sign up to complete the mural in Nichols Hall. Our new secretary Charlie Meyers is also an artist. He has volunteered to lead in the completion of the mural. Email him at [charliejmeayers@gmail.com](mailto:charliejmeayers@gmail.com) if you would like to participate and when you are available.

## A Look at Our Faithfulness

Combined attendance for last Sunday September 10th was 95. Your tithes, gifts, and offerings help ASUMC make a difference in our community. Thank you.

# Arch St. United Methodist Women's Calendar

## Book discussion on October 15 for all:

### Falling Into Place: A Memoir of Overcoming, by Hattie Kaufman

Get your copy of and start reading! The UMW will host a book discussion in the second floor conference room immediately following the 11 am Worship Service. Everyone is welcome, including men, visitors and even those who have not read the book. If you'd like to buy the book, look for me. I can usually be found at the 11 am service sitting in the front near Wilhelmina.

**What's the book about?** Four-time Emmy Award-winning news correspondent shares her emotionally gripping and entertaining story of finding faith and overcoming the wounds of abuse, poverty, alcoholism, and divorce.

Hattie Kauffman has interviewed presidents, Oscar winners, astronauts, and Olympians. She's covered wildfires and murder trials and delved into personal interest stories. Though she uncovered the stories behind big personalities and events, her own story remained untold.

In this beautifully written memoir, you'll get an inside look into the events that shaped this remarkable woman who thought she'd left the ghosts of childhood behind her. But when her world came crashing down one autumn day, she was forced to face all that she had been running from.

What she learned about herself surprised her.

She was never alone in her flight and, indeed, had never needed to run in the first place. **Hattie Kauffman** made history as the first Native American journalist to ever file a report on national network evening news broadcast, and she has over two decades of experience as an on-camera correspondent and news anchor for ABC and CBS. She is a member of the Nez Perce Tribe of Idaho and is also a speaker and writer.

"Kauffman teaches us that the seeds of God's love grow strongly oftentimes in the soil of suffering and always in the sunshine of surrender. Whatever cliff you are on, whatever abyss you are facing, *Falling into Place* will fill you with hope for a better tomorrow."--**Michael Guillen, PhD**, former Harvard physics instructor and science editor of *ABC News*; bestselling author of *Can a Smart Person Believe in God?*

**Why are we reading this book?** It is part of the United Methodist Women's Reading Program. The Reading Program encourages members to think critically about current issues through an annual selection of member-reviewed books. It offers an excellent opportunity to deepen your spirituality and to broaden your understanding of our mission work.

## **The Reading Program Leads to Action!**

For almost 150 years, United Methodist Women have been involved in mission that includes prayer, study and action. The Reading Program is a study opportunity, but it should also lead to action. The purpose of the program is to encourage United Methodist Women members to:

- Expand understanding of and participation in God's mission.
- Increase sensitivity to all human beings—their needs, interests and concerns.
- Encourage critical thinking about issues facing humanity today.
- Grow in understanding of Scripture as it relates to Christian faith in contemporary life.
- Enhance self-knowledge and act from that knowledge.
- Strengthen involvement in local and global Christian mission.

So, now that you know all this, you surely want to get a copy of the book today, start reading, and join us on Sunday October 15th

## **Welcome to Grace Café!**

Grace Café (ASUMC's outreach to folks currently without homes) is open every Sunday through the end of June. After a brief period of faith sharing, those gathered will enjoy a home-cooked meal hosted by volunteer groups. Today's dinner is provided by Arch Street UMC. There are still openings for hosts to bring food and prepare a meal for about 200 people. If you know of a group that would like to assist in this important mission, please have them contact the church office at 215-568-6250 or Darlene DiDomineck and Carmen Francesco at [gracecafe Philly@gmail.com](mailto:gracecafe Philly@gmail.com). Greeters, servers and clean-up crew are needed and always welcome.

## **North Philadelphia Mission Connexion Event**

Arch Street UMC is a member of this group of United Methodist Churches. Pastor Robin and Wilhelmina Young represent ASUMC.

*Tindley Temple* has agreed to host the "Joyful Noise Choir Concert":

**3PM on November 5, 2017.**

Facilitator: Rev. Robert Johnson (Tindley Temple)

Co-Facilitator: Minister Jennifer Crosby (Haven Peniel)





## **POWER Actions *This Week***

### ***Monday, September 25th: POWER's "Wake Up! Day of Action"***

At POWER's June 21st action in Harrisburg, we were promised a meeting with the Senate Education Committee to present our data on the racial bias in school funding. Sen. John Eichelberger, the committee chair, is dodging POWER's requests to set a date for that meeting. Join POWER Metro *tomorrow*, September 25th, to contact his office to push him to schedule a meeting. You can:

- Call Senator Eichelberger early Monday morning: 1-866-509-EICH (3424) or 717-787-5490, 717-787-3118
- E-mail him at: [jeichelberger@pasen.gov](mailto:jeichelberger@pasen.gov)
- Send a letter or postcard: Senator John Eichelberger, Senate Box 203030, Harrisburg, PA 17120-3030

A sample script appears below—feel free to say this in your own words.

Hello, Senator Eichelberger, my name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I'm calling as part of POWER, an interfaith coalition of congregations across Southeastern Pennsylvania committed to opportunity and justice for all. I want to thank you for meeting with POWER lay and clergy leaders when we were in Harrisburg in June and for taking an interest in the serious and persistent problem of racial and income-based disparities in the way basic education funding is distributed to school districts across Pennsylvania. We appreciated that you agreed to schedule a hearing of your full committee to dig into the issue more deeply. We know the Assembly has been busy working on the budget but I hope that would not prevent us from planning ahead to schedule time to share what we've learned about this issue with the members of your committee in the fall. As a person of faith, I believe that we have a moral obligation to educate all children equally and fully regardless of their race, ethnicity, income level, or geography. Thank you again for working with us on this important issue.

## POWER's Work in 2017-18 and How You Can Help

POWER's strategy teams have written action plans for the coming year. These are posted on the bulletin board in the chapel lobby—read them when you can and *watch this bulletin* for announcements about upcoming actions that need our support. The goals are:

- Distribute *all* state education funding through the Fair Funding formula (*see notice above about September 25th action*)
- Dissolve Philadelphia's School Reform Commission and return our schools to local control
- Gain a 21st Century Living Wage of \$15/hr for Philadelphia's contracted and subcontracted workers
- Get PECO's commitment to source 20% of its energy from local renewable sources by 2025
- End cash bail

Next the teams are drafting a 5-year strategic plan to lay out their vision for where we go next. At the quarterly Legislative Assembly next month, we will hear that plan and also vote on a proposal to establish a new Green Justice strategy team, split off from Economic Dignity. The Assembly will take place ***Tuesday, October 10th, from 7:00-9:00 PM*** (pizza at 6:30) at Congregation Mishkan Shalom, 4101 Freeland Avenue, Philadelphia 19128 (Roxborough). Rides are usually available so let us know if you are coming.

And of course, if you want to get involved in this work, you can speak with Betsy Connor (215-232-7186, [betsyfconnor@gmail.com](mailto:betsyfconnor@gmail.com)), Nancy Megley (215-574-8320, [nmegley@msn.com](mailto:nmegley@msn.com)), or Wilhelmina Young ([thecatalyst212@yahoo.com](mailto:thecatalyst212@yahoo.com), 215-227-4034). Information is also available at the POWER website ([www.powerphiladelphia.org](http://www.powerphiladelphia.org)) or through the POWER office (215-232-7697).

## **Another voice from POWER**

Toward a Just & Compassionate Health Care System: A Call to Action  
Pennsylvanians are struggling in a broken health care system -- and safety net programs that save lives are under attack in Congress. Hundreds of thousands of Pennsylvanians who depend on Medicaid, Medicare and ACA are at risk of losing care. As people of faith and moral conscience, we cannot stand by. Join us to learn from experts, share stories, and take action for a just health care system! St Luke United Methodist Church (568 Montgomery Ave, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010) on September 28th, 7pm Pizza provided.

To RSVP visit: <https://goo.gl/FjSTHz>

## **ALO(SS) Hotel Action; POWER-ing Through the Rain**

On Tuesday September 19th, about 100 people gathered outside of Aloft Hotel to protest their misuse of 33 million dollars of tax payer subsidies to build their complex. In exchange for the subsidies, Aloft had promised to build a restaurant that would have supplied the city with 170 new jobs. They did not follow through with the restaurant, and 117 of those positions were not created. So at 5pm on Tuesday, members of Power, Unite, CCORD, and many of ASUMC met outside Aloft Hotel dressed in chef's hats with signs and loud voices.

Almost the moment we all gathered, it began to rain. Reverend Robin Hynicka and Reverend Gregory Holston united the crowd with social justice speeches, pulling in the attention of the public to our cause. Different members of groups also spoke to the press, including Channel 6 News and local newspaper affiliates. Reverend Carol Duncan delivered a statement to the representative of the hotel and communicated our purpose to Councilwoman Helen Gym. We were heartened to see the amount of people who stood firm for the cause, drenched out in the rain for the entire hour. The event came to a close with a speech from Councilman Squilla, promising to follow through on the group's collective concerns. We will hold him to his word!



## **Find your path!**

The Eastern Pennsylvania Conference Board of Ordained Ministry invites all adults, especially young adults to come find their path at EXPLORATION 2017

**Friday, October 13, from 10 AM to 2 PM**

Lancaster Theological Seminary  
555 W. James St, Lancaster, PA

Come enjoy worship, prayer, fellowship and conversation to help you discern, explore and respond to God's Call to Ordained Ministry in all its forms.

The \$20 registration fee includes lunch.

For more information contact:

- Rev. Dr. Michael Roberts at [drroberts42@aol.com](mailto:drroberts42@aol.com)
- Rev. Johnson Dodla at [johnson@olivetumc.org](mailto:johnson@olivetumc.org).

Who Should Attend? Adults, especially young adults who sense God's call to ordained ministry or those who want to know about preparation for ministry in The United Methodist Church.

Please REGISTER now.

Don't wait or available space may fill up!

## A Special Request from Bishop Johnson

*Bishop Johnson and the Rapid Response team ask that members stand up and send this letter to their Senators on behalf of the Dreamers of DACA.*



Senator Robert P. Casey, Jr.  
393 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Senator Pat Toomey  
248 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DE 20510

Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

As constituents from Pennsylvania and as United Methodist persons of faith, we urge you to stand with the nearly 800,000 Dreamers in the United States who have benefited from DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) by supporting the passage of a Dream Act bill that will grant full protection from deportation.

The United Methodist Church affirms the inherent worth, dignity and human rights of all people, regardless of race, nationality or legal status. God commands us to love and embrace the immigrant, who "*shall be to you as the citizen among you.*" (Leviticus 19:33-34).

Eliminating the DACA program denies the stance we have taken as a nation to care for children and to support programs that benefit families. Young people who came to the United States as children are being punished and denied a future that can contribute to their well-being and to benefit our country.

The Dreamers have had to pay legal and processing fees in order to have the benefits from the DACA program to work and attend school. In order to work, they must apply for work permits every two years at a cost of approximately \$500. These young people have contributed to our society by working in diverse industries, medical institutions, the military, etc., paying taxes and Social Security without being eligible for any of those benefits.

We urge you to pass legislations that will grant these young people the ability to live and work legally in the United States contributing to our society without fear of separation from their families, deportation to countries they do not know and languages they do not speak.

--Rapid Response Team of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of The United Methodist Church

--Rapid Response Team of the Peninsula-Delaware Conference of The United Methodist Church

--United Methodist Women of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of The United Methodist Church

--Members of churches in the Eastern Pennsylvania and Peninsula-Delaware Conferences of The United Methodist Church



## PRAYER CONCERNS

**Prayers of Healing** for: *Debbie DeShields Michael Adams, Owen Brazelton, Rick Taylor, Holly McVaughn, Bill Witman, Laura Dragon, Joyce Mojher, Bill Hilley, Anna Burton, Jonathan Legg, Lisa Lore, Max Northouse, Pat Taylor, Cynthia Dupree, Mrs. Mastrando, Chris Whaley, James Hearn, Michael Bowman, Jazzy, Helena & Jackie Yorker, Mrs. Bowman, Ann Bishton, Rev. James Pittman, Evelyn Tinsley, Constance James, Deanna Cotton, D. Nicholas Tyrone Christy, Virgil Watson, Jim Griscol, Gloria Young, Russell Whaley, Tanya Graves, Dorothy Hurley, Dolores Farinre-Carey, J. J., Mr. Franco, Skylar, John Johnson, Len Metzler, Loretta Wootten, Emily Jenson, Marsha Wittman, Jenny Jakacki, Laura Massey, Tim Brazelton, Diann Rollins, Joan Wood, James Williams, Anthony Mastrando, Inez Barrett-Otey, Diana Amey, Casey Edwards, Ann Gennaro, Mark Fischer, Ida Bristoe, Maureen Norman, Jeanne Kostenbader, Donald Lathrop, Pamela Thomas, Sandra Parker, Marion Dabney, Patricia Pape, Yazid Jones, Ernie, John Tucker, Lou Brooks, Rob Koob, Jada Bascom, Minerva Clark, Vanessa & Yaddy Sellers, Nakia Rimmer, Don Allen, Anna Cole, Christopher Browne, Betty Flowerree, Troy McColley, Barton Burke, Thomas Onorato, Roy Samuel Layden, Dorothy Eady, Molly Villafane, Pamela Maupin, Mary Reece, Celestine Justin, Louis Harrigan, Mayra Malonada, Sheldon Nixon, Althea Sea, Dumis Randolph, Joanne Ferreri, Rosemary Schier, Carla Kelley.*

**Prayers of Encouragement:** *William McCormick and family on the death of his mother, The Family of Darounda A.Nichols, The family and friends of Michael Canon, Anna Burton, Marge Donnelly and family, Mat Hearn, Steven Whaley, Qing-Song Chen, and David, Rev. Brett Charsky, Anthony Eugene Smith and his mother, Christina, Rashida Bryant, Shelly Folks, the Thompson/Norman family, Calvin Smith, Jr., Deborah Seely, Caroline Lopopolo, Alexander Grant, Laura Harrigan, Rick Taylor, the Robertson family, Dorothy Watson and family, for Rich, and Elaine Jenson and family.*

**Prayers of Protection** for our service people and those living in parts of the world under conflict. Please pray for those who are hungry, ill, displaced, or living in poverty because of natural and human-made disasters, and for the workers who minister to them.

# ARCH STREET UMC VISION

Arch Street United Methodist Church will be a welcoming Christian community that inspires openness, understanding, healing and reconciliation both within the congregation and in the community-at-large.

## ARCH STREET MISSION STATEMENT

Arch Street United Methodist Church's mission is to love God and neighbor by nurturing individuals on their spiritual journeys, encouraging creativity in faithful service, strengthening relationships and promoting justice.

*GOD'S TABLE IS OPEN TO ALL.*

*THERE'S ROOM AT THE TABLE FOR YOU.*

Arch Street United Methodist Church is a community of faith-keeping and faith-seeking people who embrace diversity in our congregation and community, and affirm the dignity and worth of every person as created in the image of God. We celebrate and give thanks for all of the gifts of God among us. Our welcome knows no boundaries, whether of age, racial or ethnic background, gender, sexual orientation or gender identity, economic or marital status, physical or mental ability. We welcome all to share in the ministry, fellowship, and blessings of full participation as members of Christ's body.



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## Parking

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